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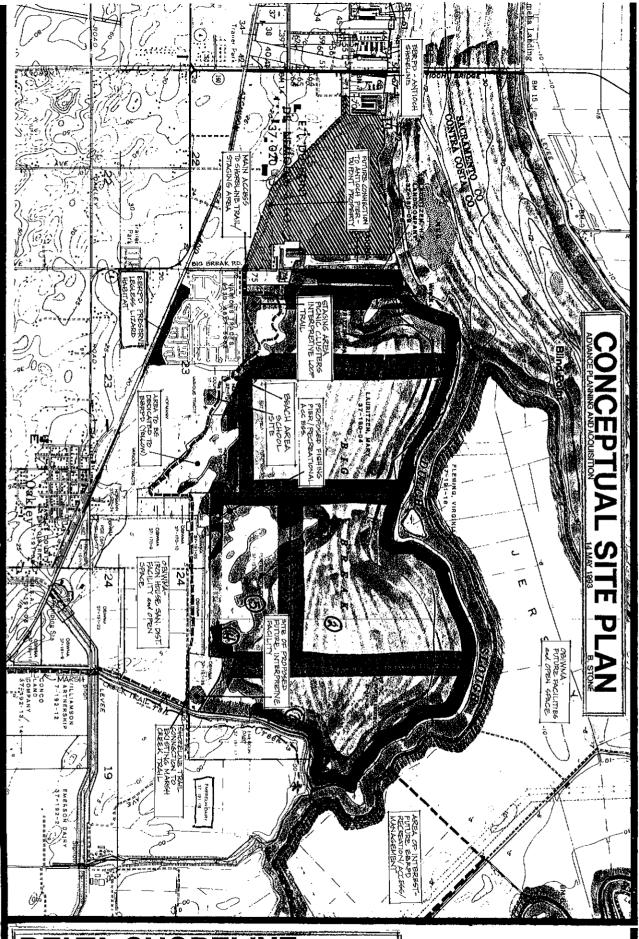
Update on Big Break, Contra Costa County Shoreline

On January 14, 1997, I met with Captain Steve Krull of the East Bay Regional Park District Police and Ed Nagel, Patrol Captain for the Department of Fish and Game. The following items were discussed:

- 1. Plans for future uses at Big Break: There is no plan at this time and no plan is being prepared. At the time a plan is developed for future uses at Big Break, there will be notice and opportunity for public participation. Preliminary concepts are to retain the area in its current physical state, with minimal improvements along the shoreline itself, such as a shoreline trail, fishing access, access to the beach behind existing residential development, etc.
- Ownership of Lands at Big Break: EBRPD owns the eastern half of the water areas and adjacent shoreline areas at Big Break (acquired in October 1995). No additional lands have been acquired.
- 3. Construction of Facilities (Boardwalks, Paths, etc.): No facilities are being constructed at Big Break. No facilities will be constructed until a plan is prepared. A shoreline trail has been built south and east of Big Break on the levee adjacent to the Emerson Dairy property.
- 4. Delta Science Center: EBRPD is participating in planning and fundraising for the Delta Science Center, a proposed education center. The proposed site for the Center is on Ironouse Sanitary District property, south of the Big Break shoreline.
- 5. Hunting from the Shoreline: EBRPD does not allow hunting from its LANDS. Thus, EBRPD will not allow hunting from the shoreline/lands in its ownership at Big Break. Any blinds found on the shoreline or attached to the shoreline will be removed.

- 6. Hunting from Boats: EBRPD will allow hunting from a boat on water-covered areas, in conformance with all State laws. NOTE: No hunting is allowed within 150 yards of an occupied dwelling.
- 7. Hunting from Floating Blinds: EBRPD has set up a meeting with hunters on February 12, 1997 at 7:00 p.m. in the Antioch Police Department's public room. EBRPD position at this time is to allow hunting from floating blinds; "permanent" blinds (attached by pilings into the mud) will not be allowed. The meeting is intended to flesh out other questions that may arise regarding floating blinds.

For the Commission's information, the EBRPD board is elected by district. Ted Radke of Martinez represents the area where Big Break is located.



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